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Site Visit from Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) Team Set for Feb. 8

BOILING SPRINGS, N.C. – The Gardner-Webb University Hunt School of Nursing will host a site review team for continuing accreditation of its Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) program by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN).

A public meeting will be held at GWU's College of Health Sciences (315 W. College Ave., Boiling Springs, N.C.) on Wednesday, Feb. 8, at 2:15 p.m. in Room 259.

In addition, the ACEN is inviting members of the community to submit written comments relating to the Gardner-Webb University DNP program to Dr. Marsal Stoll, ACEN Chief Executive Officer (3343 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 850; Atlanta, GA 30326) or via email at mstoll@acenursing.org. All written comments should be received by the ACEN by Jan. 31.

The Hunt School of Nursing provides excellent, high-quality, student-centered programs based on current national competencies of nursing practice. The diverse student population is taught to meet the global health care needs of individuals, groups and communities. Each nursing faculty member models holistic nursing practice, Christian principles, critical thinking, and professionalism. Students learn in a Christ-centered, state-of-the-art environment that includes opportunities to participate in interprofessional as well as international practice.

Additional information about the Hunt School of Nursing and the upcoming accreditation site visit is available at Gardner-Webb.edu/ACEN.

*The post-master's **Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) Program** at Gardner-Webb University is a 36-credit-hour program that addresses the foundational competencies for all advanced nursing practice leadership roles.*

Coursework is presented in an executive format including 20-23 clock hours per course on campus in Boiling Springs, N.C., each semester for student/faculty collaboration and presentations, clarification of theoretical content, and course requirements. The remainder of the semester includes online lectures, presentations, writing assignments,

and interactive class discussions using GWU's distance learning system. Students enrolled in the Post-Master's DNP Program acquire knowledge in nursing leadership theory, research, statistics, epidemiology, informatics, healthcare policy, economics, teaching and learning.

Located in Boiling Springs, N.C., Gardner-Webb University's purpose is to advance the Kingdom of God through Christian higher education by preparing graduates for professional and personal success, instilling in them a deep commitment to service and leadership, and equipping them for well-rounded lives of lasting impact, Pro Deo et Humanitate (For God and Humanity).